GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTARCT

Higher Education (VC) Dept – Allegations of irregularities in misuse of UGC Funds - Disciplinary action initiated against Sri SK. Imam Khasim, Principal (Retd), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, West Godavari District under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 - Inquiry conducted – Report communicated - Explanation submitted - Imposing a major penalty of Withholding of 100% pension and Gratuity permanently - Orders - Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (VC) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.52, **Dated:16.08.2024.**

Read the following:-

1. CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.I/2017-1, dated:27.02.2018.
2. Explanation of Sri Sk. Imam Khasim, Principal (Now retired), dated: 06.08.2018.
3. CCE, Vijayawada Lr.Rc.No.94/Ser.I/2017, dated:08.11.2018.
4. Government Memo No.5079/VC/2018 dated: 07.02.2019, 24.10.2019 and 26.06.2020.
5. CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.I/2017 & 1, dated:20.07.2020.
6. CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.03/Ser.III/2020, dated:30.06.2020.
7. CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.II/2020, dated:23.09.2020.
8. CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.I/2017, dated:14.10.2020.
9. Explanation of Sri Sk. Imam Khasim, Principal (Now retired), dt:22.10.2020.
10. The CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.I/2017, dated:27.11.2020.
11. The Government Memo No.655239/VC/A1/2022, dated:10.10.2022.
12. The CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.I/OP.I/2017-I, dated:10.11.2022.
13. Explanation of Sri Sk. Imam Khasim, Principal (Now retired), dt:15.11.2022.
14. The CCE, Vijayawada, Proceedings, Rc.No.94/Ser.I/OP.I/2017, dated:14.08.2023.
15. Govt. letter 655239/VC/A1/2022, dated:09.02.2024.
16. Letter from the Secretary, APPSC, No.GAD03-APPS0DCC/19/2024-DC.SEC- APPSC (Computer No.2434077), dated 19.06.2024.

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Whereas in the reference 1st read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against Sri SK. Imam Khasim, Principal (u/s), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, W.G. District by framing Articles of Charges, under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991, on misappropriation of UGC Funds of the college between the period from 19.05.2014 to 28.01.2016.

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2. Whereas in the reference 2nd read above, the charged officer has submitted his written statement of defense. As not convincing the written explanation of the above charged officer and on the direction of Government in the reference 4th read above, the Commissioner of Collegiate Education, A.P., Vijayawada have appointed an inquiring authority to inquire into the charges framed against the above charged officer vide reference 5th read above. In the meanwhile, Sri Sk Imam Khasim, Principal (u/s) has been retired from service on 30.06.2020 on attaining the age of superannuation.

3. Whereas in the reference 7th read above, the inquiry authority has submitted inquiry report duly stating that all charges framed against Sri Sk. Imam Khasim, Principal (Retd), SVD Govt. Degree College (W), Nidadavole, W.G.District, are held proved in the inquiry. Government after examining the report of inquring authority and accepted his findings mutatis mutandi and communicated the same to the above charged officer for affording him to submit written representation, if any on the findings of IA, in terms of Rule 21(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 vide reference 8th read above.

4. In the reference 9th read above, Sri Sk Imama Khasim, Princpal (Retd) has submitted his written representation on the findings of the Inqiring Authority duly accepting the above said misappropriation and gave his consent to repay the amount from his retirement benefits. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Collegiate Education has requested the Government to issue appropriate orders against the above charged officer, besides recovery of the misappropriated UGC grants an amount of Rs.37,85,000/- with interest on total amount from him vide reference 10th read above.

5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding of 100% pension and Gratuity permanently against Sri Sk. Imam Khasim, Principal (Retd), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, West Godavari District, besides recovery of the misappropriation / loss amount of Rs.37,85,000/- under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 and accordingly, issued a show cause notice with a direction to show cause as to why the above proposed penalty shall not be imposed against him under Rule 9 of APRP Rules, 1980.

6. Whereas in the reference 13th read above, the Charged Officer has submitted explanation to the above show cause notice to him. The Government after examination of the written representation of the charged office on the show cause notice, have confirmed the above proposed penalty of withholding of 100% pension and Gratuity permanently against Sri SK. Imam Khasim, Principal (Retd), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, West Godavari District besides recovery of the misappropriation / loss amount of Rs.37,85,000/- from him, under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980, as the charged officer had not adduced any new grounds for consideration.

7. Whereas in the reference 15th read above, the Government have requested the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission to place the matter before the Commission for its concurrence as proposed at para 6 above and to communicate the concurrence to the Government.

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8. Whereas in the reference 16th read above, the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Vijayawada have agreed with the proposal of the Government to impose the penalty of "Withholding of 100% pension and Gratuity permanently against Sri SK. Imam Khasim, Principal (Retd), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, West Godavari District, besides recovery of the misappropriation / loss amount of Rs.37,85,000/- from him, under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

9. Accordingly, Government hereby impose the penalty of withholding of 100% pension and Gratuity permanently against Sri SK. Imam Khasim, Principal (Retd), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, West Godavari District, besides recovery of the misappropriation / loss amount of Rs.37,85,000/- from him, under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as per the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.25, General Administration (Ser.C) Dept., dt.03.02.2004.

10. The Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Mangalagiri shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SAURABH GAUR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri SK. Imam Khasim, Principal (Now retired), Government Degree College for Women, Nidadavole, West Godavari District
through the Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Mangalagiri.
The Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, M.G. Road, Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, MG Road, Governor Pet, Vijayawada.
The PS to Secretary, Higher Education, Velagapudi.
SF/SC.(E.file No.6555239)

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SK. Kousarjan
SECTION OFFICER.